Although every licensed amateur should have working knowledge of how his or her equipment works and working knowledge of applicable electronic theory, it is my opinion that this proposal goes too far in that the requirements for commercially manufactured gear could be very detrimental to the companies that make it. The Amatuer Radio market is not a very profitable market for most equipment makers this proposal could bring these companies to the point where they get out of the market. If we want to go back to the days of building everything ourselves, and to very exacting standards, then I can see the purpose for this proposal. However it would certainly damage the Amateur Service which could impact the reasons the

service was set up, to promote the public welfare.

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